

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. - 3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) A device for playback of encrypted audio and/or video tracks [[files]] from a memory card, wherein an audio and/or video track comprises at least one audio and/or video file, the device comprising:

a processor; and

a module operatively coupled with the processor and configured, for each audio and/or video file within an audio and/or video track, for:

obtaining an encrypted key from a protected area of the memory card;

retrieving only a fractional portion of the[[an]] audio and/or video file from the memory card;

decrypting the obtained encrypted key;

decrypting the fractional portion of the audio and/or video file with the decrypted key; and

deleting the decrypted key after decrypting the fractional portion of the audio and/or video file before decrypting an additional fractional portion of the file.

5. (Canceled)

6. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 4, wherein the module is configured to retrieve and decrypt about two seconds of the audio and/or video file at a time with the decrypted key before the decrypted key is deleted.

7. (Currently Amended) A computer readable storage medium having an executable program, the program to be utilized in an audio and/or video device for playback of encrypted tracks of audio and/or video content, wherein an encrypted track of audio and/or video content comprises at least one encrypted audio or video file, the program configured to, for each encrypted audio or video file:

decrypt an encrypted audio or video file from the memory card,

wherein decrypting the audio or video file comprises:

- (a) decrypting a key stored in the memory of the device;
- (b) decrypting a portion of the audio or video file less than an entirety of the audio or video file;
- (c) deleting the decrypted key; and
- (d) repeating (a) through (c) until the entirety of the audio or video file is decrypted.

8. - 34. (Canceled)

35. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 4, wherein the device comprises a personal computer or a portable device having a processor.

36. (Currently Amended) The device of claim 4, wherein the additional ~~fractional~~ portion comprises one of a plurality of additional ~~fractional~~ portions and, for each one of the plurality of additional ~~fractional~~ portions, the module is configured to:

decrypt the encrypted key;

decrypt the one of the plurality of additional ~~fractional~~ portions of the audio and/or video file with the decrypted key; and

delete the decrypted key after decrypting the one of the plurality of additional ~~fractional~~ portions of the audio and/or video file before decrypting a next one of the plurality of additional ~~fractional~~ portions of the audio and/or video file.

37. (Currently Amended) The device of claim 36, wherein the module is further configured to:

store the encrypted key in a memory of the device; and

for each of the additional ~~fractional~~ portions of the audio and/or video file, decrypt the encrypted key stored in the memory of the device.

38. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 4, wherein the encrypted key comprises an encrypted title key and wherein the module is configured to decrypt the encrypted key by calculating a media unique key and decrypting the encrypted title key stored in a memory of the device with the media unique key.

39. (Currently Amended) A method for playback of audio and/or video tracks comprising one or more encrypted audio and/or video files stored on a memory card, the method comprising:

obtaining an encrypted key from a protected area of the memory card with a device having a processor and a memory operatively connected with the processor;

retrieving only a ~~fractional~~ portion of an audio and/or video file from the memory card with the device, wherein the audio and/or video file comprises at least a portion of an audio and/or video track;

decrypting the encrypted key;

decrypting the ~~fractional~~ portion of the audio and/or video file with the decrypted key; and

deleting the decrypted key from the device after decrypting the fractional portion of the audio and/or video file before decrypting an additional fractional portion of the audio and/or video file.

40. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 39, wherein retrieving the fractional-portion of the audio and/or video file comprises retrieving about two seconds of the audio and/or video file.

41. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 39, wherein the device comprises a personal computer or a portable device having a processor.

42. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 39, wherein the additional fractional portion of the audio and/or video file comprises one of a plurality of additional fractional portions of the audio and/or video file and, for each one of the plurality of additional fractional portions of the audio and/or video file, the method further comprises:

decrypting the encrypted key;

decrypting the one of the plurality of additional fractional portions of the audio and/or video file with the decrypted key; and

deleting the decrypted key after decrypting the one of the plurality of additional fractional portions of the audio and/or video file.

43. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 39, wherein the encrypted key comprises an encrypted title key and wherein decrypting the encrypted key comprises:

calculating a media unique key; and

decrypting the encrypted title key with the media unique key.

44. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 43, wherein deleting the decrypted key comprises deleting the decrypted title key and the media unique key.

45. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 39, wherein retrieving a fractional portion comprises retrieving a portion of the audio and/or video file comprising less than about 10 seconds of playback.

46. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 39, further comprising:

retrieving information relating to audio and/or video files stored on the memory card prior to decrypting any fractional portion of an audio and/or video file.

47. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 46 wherein retrieving information relating to audio and/or video files stored on the memory card comprises retrieving playlist information for the audio and/or video files.

48. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 47, wherein retrieving playlist information comprises retrieving at least one of:

- a name of a playlist;
- a playlist name string length;
- a playback time of the playlist;
- tracks comprised by the playlist; and
- an index corresponding to the playlist.

49. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 46 wherein retrieving information relating to audio and/or video files stored on the memory card comprises retrieving track information for the audio and/or video files.

50. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 49 wherein retrieving track information comprises retrieving:

a track number;

an index corresponding to the track number;

a number of track units in a track corresponding to the track number; and

a playback time of the track.

51. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 42, wherein obtaining the encrypted key from the protected area of the memory card further comprises storing the encrypted key in the memory of the device; and

wherein, for each one of the additional ~~fractional~~ portions of the audio and/or video file, the step of decrypting the encrypted key comprises decrypting the encrypted key stored in the memory of the device.